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Today's Topics:

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 Techs on 20M ? Crossband repeat.

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herein consists of personal comments and does not represent the official
policies or positions of any party. Your mileage may vary. So there.

Date: Mon, 23 Aug 1993 14:01:45 GMT
From: psinntp!witch!ame!psl@uunet.uu.net
Subject: "Distance Education" and ATV
To: ham-policy@ucsd.edu

Bill -

In article <uXXJ9B2w165w@inqmind.bison.mb.ca>, Bill Shymanski
(bills@inqmind.bison.mb.ca) writes:

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>I'd like to hear from any amateurs with direct knowledge of use of
>the ham bands for "distance education" projects, in other words the
>transmission of regular educational programs on amateur frequencies.
>Duration of the program, co-ordination with regular amateur activities,
>bands used, types of courses transmitted, equipment chosen, and
>contrast with use of commercial frequencies would all be of interest.

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> This is an attempt to gather some information that will dispel rumours
> circulating locally - I'm not proposing such operations myself and I've
> good reason to believe they are not permitted in amateur bands. However,
> I'd like to get some additional information on such problems occurring
> elsewhere.

> If there's enough interest, in a week or two I'll post a summary and
> the history of the local problem.

> Bill

> VE4STW

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> bills@inqmind.bison.mb.ca

> The Inquiring Mind BBS, Winnipeg, Manitoba 204 488-1607

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I don't know about Canadian regulations, but your description of
the use of amateur radio for regularly scheduled broadcast intended
for non-amateur reception in the US is illegal, even under the new
rule changes. The keys are the terms: "regularly scheduled" and
"broadcast intended for non-amateur reception".

Running a code class or licensing class on the airwaves is
specifically covered in our FCC Part 97 and is allowed under
specific circumstances. Our Part 97 also allows for use of amateur
radio for general educational purposes as long as it is not on a
"regular" basis and is not "broadcast for non-amateurs".

I hope this helps.

- Pete, WB0FEW

Date: Wed, 18 Aug 93 22:05:00 -0500

From: news2.uunet.ca!uunet.ca!synapse!david.mercer@uunet.uu.net

Subject: IC-24AT Undoc Features

To: ham-policy@ucsd.edu

***** Original	To: ALL
* CARBON * was	By: DAVID MERCER
* COPY * posted:	On: SYNAPSE
*****	Conf: 3203 - rec.radio.ama

Hi;

Does anybody know of any more undocumented features of the ICON IC-24AT.
I just found how to increase the number of receiveable frequencies, a
well as how to do dir freq entry of 10 and 100 MHz.

Anything else?

73 de VE3XMJ

cc: ALL in 3205 on SYNAPSE
ALL in 3207 on SYNAPSE
ALL in 438 on SYNAPSE

* RM 1.0 00644 * 73 de VE3XMJ (Dave Mercer) PGP Public key avail on request

Date: Mon, 23 Aug 1993 19:41:23 GMT
From: usc!howland.reston.ans.net!torn!nott!bnrgate!nmerh207!corpgate!nrtpa038!
bnr.ca!harp@network.ucsd.edu
Subject: Just Go Learn the code!
To: ham-policy@ucsd.edu

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What's great is last Saturday she took the test for General. Guess what
at the code test she PASSED 20WPM. She is now only 9 years old. She
lacks a few QSLs from having DXCC. She hopes to have here DXCC before
she is 10.

If she can do it why can't the rest of you? I have never heard her
complain about having to learn the code.

The Advanced and Extra theory tests look pretty awsome to her right now
but I'll bet she'll knock them off within two more years. Maybe less.

Her younger sister is working on her novice now. She is only 7.

Just thought I would post something where someone actually did learn
the code.

* Alan Harp K4PB * Bell-Northern Research * CW FOREVER *
* mail: harp@bnr.ca * Research Triangle Park, NC *

Date: 23 Aug 93 23:10:57 GMT
From: ogicse!emory!wa4mei!ke4zv!gary@network.ucsd.edu

Subject: Just Go Learn the code!
To: ham-policy@ucsd.edu

In article <harp.11.0@bnr.ca> harp@bnr.ca (Alan Harp) writes:
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>complain about having to learn the code.

I met a 4 year old who spoke flawless Mandarin Chinese, why can't you?
She didn't complain about having to learn Mandarin either, she didn't
know she had a choice. It's a well established fact that young children
can pick up sound patterns more easily than older people.

None of this is intended to take anything away from the achievements
of the child, but it's not as spectacular as it seems.

Gary

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Gary Coffman KE4ZV	"If 10% is good enough	gatech!wa4mei!ke4zv!gary
Destructive Testing Systems	for Jesus, it's good	uunet!rsiatl!ke4zv!gary
534 Shannon Way	enough for Uncle Sam."	emory!kd4nc!ke4zv!gary
Lawrenceville, GA 30244	-Ray Stevens	

Date: 23 Aug 1993 23:02:19 GMT
From: dog.ee.lbl.gov!overload.lbl.gov!agate!spool.mu.edu!uwm.edu!cs.utexas.edu!
asuvax!chnews!joshua!jbromley@network.ucsd.edu
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Mozart was composing concerti at age 9. If he could do it,
why can't Laura? Or Wynonna Judd? Or the rest of you?

There's something to be said for learning code at an early
age. One can do wonders with a young, undamaged, unschooled
brain.

For the rest of us with careers to pursue, developing a
high-speed Morse code translation capability isn't worth the
time it takes. Fifty years ago, maybe. But not now. It is
a totally worthless skill in today's job market.

I just hope little Laura has some neurons left over for
Accounting or Molecular Biology.

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Date: Tue, 24 Aug 93 04:08:09 GMT
From: netcomsv!orchard.la.locus.com!prodnet.la.locus.com!lando.la.locus.com!
dana@decwrl.dec.com
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>If she can do it why can't the rest of you? I have never heard her
>complain about having to learn the code.

I was racing motorcycles at the age of 24. I even won some money from Suzuki. If I can do it why don't you go do it? You never heard me complain about getting my lap times down. No siree. If I can learn to control a racing motorcycle at 135 MPH on a racetrack, anybody can. If can learn to perform controlled power slides at 90 leaned over in a turn, anybody can. Heck, the improved reaction times and confidence under stress (near crashes) has made me a better ham operator. Maybe motorcycle racing should be a ham license requirement, because, after all, I like it and I can do it.

#pragma Reality_Off

Heck, my children are gonna be great racers, too, cause, after all, I like it and they will too. If I just make sure they understand they can gain my approval by racing motorcycles they'll do it for sure. Stefi is a little young at 4 but will be old enough at 6 to start training; Zack, at 2 can take lap times. It'll be great. It will sure make me feel good to have my kids getting into my hobby.

#pragma Reailty_On

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>but I'll bet she'll knock them off within two more years. Maybe less.
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Virtually every person I've met that was licensed under the age of 12 did so because their parent(s) was an avid amateur operator. Without going into details, I'd like to observe that nearly every ham I remember being licensed under the age of 12 let the license expire as the young person developed interests of their own, rather than echoing the interests of their parent(s).

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>the code.

Shucks, Alan, I have an Extra. I learned the code, too. I even use it. However, I still think the 13 and 20 WPM requirements are obsolete based on objective reasons rather than the Bo/Nike school of "Just do it".

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* Dana H. Myers KK6JQ | Views expressed here are *
* (310) 337-5136 | mine and do not necessarily *
* dana@locus.com DoD #466 | reflect those of my employer

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★ This Extra supports the abolition of the 13 and 20 WPM tests ★

Date: 23 Aug 93 12:59:28 GMT
From: news-mail-gateway@ucsd.edu
Subject: Novice testing rules?
To: ham-policy@ucsd.edu

>What is the current status of novice testing? Can two
>generals still hold novice tests? Will a VEC exam session
>accept elements passed in such a manner (as indicated on
>a 610 form)?

Nope. The world changed on 7/1/93. Generals have to be accredited volunteer examiners. You have to have a public exam session with 3 VEs of sufficient license class. VEC will accept the old Novice 610s up to 7/1/94, but by then everyone who might have one of those should have gotten a license and they'll use that instead of the "CSCE 610".

>Also, in what way are Technicians distinguished from
>Technicians who have also passed the 5 wpm test?
>In other words, is there something on the license or
>on file with the FCC that differentiates between
>technicians who are allowed HF and those who aren't?

they aren't. the licenses are identical. the VECs are tracking who passed 5 WPM and of course the FCC data base can show that a novice upgraded to a tech so in that way the FCC directly knows. But for Techs that "upgrade" to Tech plus HF, the data is on file with the VECs (and they make the data available to the FCC).

>I presume that a codeless tech can go into a VEC
>session, take a 5 wpm code test and be granted
>novitech HF privs...?

Yep. Novice HF privileges for the time to take the test and at ARRL sessions, the test is free.

>They should have done it differently... Novice should be
>6 meters and up, Tech should have been Novice+HFCW.
>It would have been less confusing. And while they're
>at it, the words are pretty meaningless. They should
>go back to class letters.

Maybe next time they will. As it was, no one appeared willing to dink around with the computer to accomodate an additional license class (that was

planned for in the software, but hadn't been used and apparently not tested at the time it was developed), and after the incentive licensing brewhaha I sure wouldn't want to go making cosmetic changes to licenses to just make 'em orthogonal..8)

(of course, maybe the software was written by the Space Cows in exchange for help in getting back into space - and the source code is locked inside the cow spaceship with the keys....)

bill wb9ivr

Date: 23 Aug 1993 16:58:50 GMT
From: pravda.sdsc.edu!news.cerf.net!usc!howland.reston.ans.net!noc.near.net!
jericho.mc.com!fugu!levine@network.ucsd.edu
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In article f7Ddmrq@quack.kfu.com, mrapple@quack.kfu.com (Nick Sayer) writes:
>What is the current status of novice testing?
---->It has finally been rolled into the VE Program.

>Can two
>generals still hold novice tests?
---->No. However Generals can now become VEs and they can give Novice tests
at a VE Session.

>Will a VEC exam session
>accept elements passed in such a manner (as indicated on
>a 610 form)?
---->Yes, for one year. That will end at the end of June 94.

>Also, in what way are Technicians distinguished from
>Technicians who have also passed the 5 wpm test?
---->You currently can't tell a codeless Tech from a Tech w/HF privs unless you
have
access to the FCC database, and even then you might not be able to tell
unless
the VEC informed the FCC that the Tech has passed 1a.

>In other words, is there something on the license or
>on file with the FCC that differentiates between
>technicians who are allowed HF and those who aren't?
---->No.

>I presume that a codeless tech can go into a VEC
>session, take a 5 wpm code test and be granted

>novitech HF privs...?
 ---->Yes, and it is an ARRL session, it is FREE.
 >
 >They should have done it differently... Novice should be
 >6 meters and up, Tech should have been Novice+HFCW.
 ----> If the International regulations regarding CW proficiency to operate under
 30mhz is lifted, that might happen. Don't hold your breath. In the
 meantime
 a person has to know code (my wife passed 5wpm with LESS than 1 week
 studying
 and she has a 40hr/wk job and a 2 year old at the time). btw, 5wpm IS NO
 CODE!

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 >at it, the words are pretty meaningless. They should
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>Nick Sayer <mrapple@quack.kfu.com>	"Dear Sexy Knickers. I don't half fancy
>N6QQQ @ N0ARY.#NOCAL.CA.USA.NOAM	you. Meet me at the lift at 5:30 and
>+1 408 249 9630, log in as 'guest'	we'll get it together."
>PGP 2.2 public key via finger	-- Mr. Lucas

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 Date: Mon, 23 Aug 1993 15:16:12 GMT
 From: swrinde!cs.utexas.edu!wupost!crcnis1.unl.edu!news.unomaha.edu!
 cwis.unomaha.edu!ncc2001@network.ucsd.edu
 Subject: STILL waiting for your license? Read this and weep!
 To: ham-policy@ucsd.edu

Well, if you are waiting for your call to come in, 13 seems to be the lucky
 number. After 13 weeks, my call finally came in. Now I can be set loose

on the airwaves. ;)

It was a long wait, so don't mug the mailman, he might be carrying mace! :)

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| Michael Fortner    N0YBC      * "I've got all this love to give and |
| ncc2001@cwis.unomaha.edu      * so far all I have is my ham radio" |
| "What do you mean, pop quiz?" * -Selma Bouvier                      |
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Date: Sat, 21 Aug 1993 23:30:00 -0500

From: newsflash.concordia.ca!altitude!Nyongwa.CAM.ORG!mtlnet!

mtlnet.gateway@uunet.uu.net

Subject: Techs on 20M ? Crossband repeat.

To: ham-policy@ucsd.edu

...the FCC (and our DOC) have to help "enforce" the foreign rules... even if it's to protect their local PTT's.

If we didn't then these other countries might decide to ban QSO's with us OR kill amateur radio.

Remember that MANY countries would like to see amateur radio disappear...for all sorts of reasons ranging from PTT to frequency use to political.

We are lucky in Canada and in the USA to have such "liberal" laws regarding radio communications.

Just look at the bureaucratic mess of having a phone line installed in many European countries or, the restrictions on scanners or, the licencing of TV receivers in Great-Britain, etc.

Salutations de Bruno Haineault, VE2EQ

Date: 23 Aug 93 16:07:08 GMT

From: ogicse!news.tek.com!cascade.ens.tek.com!ronk@network.ucsd.edu

To: ham-policy@ucsd.edu

References <1993Aug20.082928@IASTATE.EDU>,

<1993Aug20.115739.19272@hemlock.cray.com>, <1993Aug22.033048.24989@kd4nc.uucp>

Reply-To : Ron.C.Kirkpatrick@tek.com

Subject : Re: Bootlegger At ARRL N.E. Convention

In article <1993Aug22.033048.24989@kd4nc.uucp>, n4tii@kd4nc.uucp (John Reed) writes:

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|> her possibly being a CAP operator.
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Actually John, you don't need a HAM license. If you are in CAP you can get into the MARS program through your Wing/Region DC (Director of Communications). The Air Force Liason (sp) Office hold the actual license and unit numbers are issued against that license. Much like the fleet licenses CAP holds for the other radios frequencies.

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References <1993Aug20.115739.19272@hemlock.cray.com>,
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But you can't get on the normal traffic nets...you can only participate in

joint exercises and stuff....I couldn't check into the 2s1 net as AGC2GA Unit 1 and handle traffic...(at least that is how I interpret the rules....in both the cap comms manual and the MODS) Please correct me if I'm wrong.

Thanks...

(BTW, how do I do the capital thing....I sent mail to you an alan painter, but I think I only went direct and not thru the feed)

John Reed, n4tii - afa2fh - redstar 207

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